



WEDNESDAY EVENING, JAN. 13, 1909.

THE Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts held Monday in the case of Young vs. Bell, that a nail standing up above the floor from an inch to an inch and three-quarters, covered with shavings, bent over so that it would make one hitting his foot against it stumble, and so located with reference to a buzz saw as to make it a source of great danger, was such a defect as to authorize a finding of negligence of the employer where an employee fell over it onto the saw. The court held further that the injury was not shown to have been caused by the negligence of a fellow-servant in not sweeping up the shavings, where the evidence showed that they were swept up only on Saturdays, that the accident happened on Monday, a day did not appear that the floor was not swept on the previous Saturday.

SENATOR FORAKER, on the floor of the Senate yesterday, accused the president of direct violation of law and of outrageous conduct in the employment of detectives in the Brownsville case. He charged that the president illegally diverted \$15,000 from the \$8,000,000 emergency war fund of 1899; that he directly violated the law prohibiting the employment of detectives; that the president has used every means in his power to bound down the disgraced negro soldiers, and that he has done this through men who, in order to secure "testimony," have used "fraudulent impersonation, misrepresentation, lying, deceit, liquor and intoxication, coupled with promise of immunity and the excitement of hope and fear, and the offer of employment and remunerative wages." Mr. Foraker forgot that Mr. Roosevelt is a law unto himself.

REPRESENTATIVE SIMS led a fight on the floor of the House on Monday and defeated the bill granting the use of the pension office building for the inauguration ball. He said the inaugural ball was a commercial and not a social affair and added no dignity to the inauguration of the president. The position taken by Mr. Sims is perfectly correct. At every inauguration a number of men get together to waste money for themselves by giving a ball, and this being the case they should provide their own hall.

A PHOTO optical apparatus, invented by Dr. Charles H. Duane, which has received a successful test in a New York hospital, is expected to greatly aid in the study of surgery, while at the same time giving relief to suffering patients, who dread the ordeal of going on the operating table in the presence of a roomful of students.

From Washington.

[Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.] Washington, Jan. 13. Mr. Tillman over the phone today inquired of Attorney General Bonaparte. "I want to ask you whether you have brought suit against the Southern Oregon Company. That's the one that controls the land grant for the military road from Roseburg to Coosbay." After ringing off Mr. Tillman turned to the newspaper men and told the other end of this phone interview. "He says he'll write me a note. It might be the attorney general don't know whether he has taken such important action as I have asked him about, isn't it?" and with the South Carolinian proceeded to the Senate chamber.

Apprehension over the outcome of the difficulties arising in connection with Cent American conference at Tegucigalpa, was disposed of today by the receipt of a dispatch at the State Department announcing that the Guatemalan, who was a delegate, had resigned his diploma in post to retain his seat in the conference. The difficulty arose from criticism of him by President Davis. The dispatch states that the conference is progressing serenely and will probably adjourn in a few days.

A large delegation of commuters of the Southern R. R. headed by Gen. Burdett, of Fairfax, representing the Blue-mountain Branch of that road and Maj. Nesbitt, of Fairfax, met Senator Martin and Representative Van Dine at the latter's rooms this morning and urged that some action be taken to secure a sub-station at 7th street and Maryland avenue. Both the senator and representative stated they heartily favored the proposition and that it was not only a possibility, but a strong probability that a sub-station would be finally erected at or near Seventh street. The delegation left feeling that their interests were in good hands and that both the senator and congressman would do their best to secure the end desired.

WARS and means for preventing forest fires are being discussed at the Willard Hotel today by principal men who belong to the American Forestry Association. Secretary Wilson's speech was brief and dealt mainly with the subject of forest fires.

Secretary Cortelyou refuses to either confirm or deny the rumor that he is to become president of the Consolidated Gas Company of New York after he quits the Treasury Department.

Judge Alton B. Parker, of New York, conferred today with the executive council of the American Federation of Labor on the course to be pursued by the officials of the Federation on pending the final

settlement of the Back Stove and Range Company case in the Supreme Court of the United States. Judge Parker was also asked for advice on labor legislation already pending before Congress. He will have charge of the contempt case in the higher courts here. A decision to press to the highest court the contempt case in which Samuel Gomperz, Mitchell and Morrison were recently given jail sentences, was reached at a conference today between the Executive Council of the American Federation of Labor, Judge Parker, and Attorneys Ralston and Siddons. It was decided to appeal to the laboring men of country for funds to defray the expenses. Legislation that will make it impossible for injunctions of this kind to be issued, will be asked from Congress at this session.

Mrs. Minor Morris who was ejected from the White House three years ago, is now in Washington. She brands the statements made in the letter of Francis J. A. Darr, given out at the White House yesterday, as "false, and says that his account of her only shows her effort to discredit and persecute her. She specifically denied today that Senator Foraker had asked her for the papers in her case, but she admitted that she had placed certain data before him.

News of the Day.

The legislature of South Carolina yesterday unanimously adopted resolutions commending Senator Tillman.

The House yesterday received from the president a message from Italy thanking Congress for its prompt aid to the earthquake sufferers.

E. H. Harriman yesterday in New York was shown to be the largest holder of railroad stocks in the country, with Kuhn, Loeb & Co. next to him.

Cold weather is general in the northwest and central and southwestern States. In Chicago the mercury stood at 6 degrees above zero yesterday.

The Supreme Court of Massachusetts has ruled that nearly a million dollars of unclaimed money in saving banks shall be paid over to the state treasurer.

Three earthquakes are recorded by the seismograph at the Grant and Goddard Survey magnetic observatory and Okefenokee, during Monday and Tuesday.

The republican members of the House committee decided to prohibit in the tariff bill reciprocal trade agreements such as are now in force with foreign countries.

A special postage stamp of the two-cent denomination in commemoration of the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln is authorized in the resolution of Representative Dawson.

John P. McIntyre, in summing up for the defense in the trial of Thornton Jenkins Haine, yesterday pleaded the unwritten law and drew an imaginary picture of the electrocution and dissection of Haine.

On the ground that the publication of their names as the responsible heads of the Star Publishing Company, which publishes William R. Hearst's New York American, made them personally liable for libelous matter appearing in that newspaper, Magistrate Moss in New York yesterday found S. S. O. Ralho, Bradford Merrill and Edward S. Clark guilty of criminally libelling John D. Rockefeller, Jr., and technically committed them to the Tombs. The prisoners were peroled pending an application for a writ of habeas corpus.

Answering assertions and inquiries made by Senator Tillman in his speech of Monday, Attorney General Bonaparte last night issued a statement in which he declared that Mr. Tillman could have learned easily that suits had been brought to force the Southern Pacific and others to live up to the terms of the Oregon land grants. Mr. Bonaparte also denies that in his conversation with the senator on the subject, which resulted in the drafting of the resolution authorizing the suits, Mr. Tillman never mentioned the fact of his desiring to obtain a portion of the lands in question.

Virginia News.

Mrs. Cora Jones, aged 40, wife of O. R. Jones, of the Berryville Milling Company, died after a short illness yesterday. She was a Miss Cora Anderson of Clarke county.

Eight negroes were arrested in Berryville, Monday night, charged with selling whisky in violation of the local option law, and warrants for four others are pending.

Capt. Jeremiah A. Early, one of the best known residents of Albemarle county, died yesterday at his home, at Doyleville, of paralysis. He was in the eighty-third year of his age.

Charles B. Illinger, who has been on trial at Woodstock for a tempted assault on Mrs. Madeline Deland last April, was found guilty yesterday and his punishment fixed at three years in the penitentiary.

Rev. Dr. R. J. McBryde, rector of St. George's Episcopal Church, Fredericksburg, has been advised by his physician to take a month's rest on account of the condition of his throat. Mr. Oscar Randolph, of the Theological Seminary near Alexandria, will fill the pulpit during Dr. McBryde's absence.

Because he was refused a drink of cider, Bob Costello, a mountaineer, whose home is in the Blue Ridge Mountains of Clarke county, drew his revolver and attacked Sam Wiley, near Berryville, yesterday. He was captured in Loudoun county, and died in Berryville. In default of \$85 fine he was sent to jail.

TWO-CENT RATE CASE.

The attorneys representing the state of Virginia and the railroads of the state in the "two-cent rate" case, appeared before the Supreme Court in Richmond yesterday, and notified the members that they would, within a few days, present a petition for a rehearing of the case before the Supreme Court of Appeals of Virginia. This will be done on the suggestion of the Supreme Court of the United States that before the case could come before that tribunal it would have to be heard before the Supreme Court of Appeals of Virginia.

Mrs. Isabella Moore, aged 84, mother of Samuel Higgins, General Manager of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad, was buried to death in a fire which gutted their residence in St. Roman, near New Haven, Conn., early today. General Higgins and four other members of the family escaped by jumping from the second story.

Sixtieth Congress.

Washington, Jan. 13. SENATE.

Senator Bacon introduced a resolution declaring that every and any paper document or report on file in any of the departments over which Congress has control under the constitution, or any information, is available for the use of Congress.

Taking the floor to speak on the subject, Mr. Bacon called a motion to the president's recent message concerning the absorption of the Tennessee Coal & Iron Company by the United States Steel Corporation in which he informed the Senate that he had directed the attorney general not to furnish information requested by the Senate. The president declared that the attorney general was subject to the constitution, "as laws passed by Congress and the direction of the president," but to no other direction whatever.

To this he said, in an emphatic denial by the president of the right of the Senate to direct a cabinet officer. The observation is purely gratuitous, he said, as the information requested is given by the president. Such a challenge, he said, should not be passed by without a reply. "If it is the purpose of the president to back up the executive departments," said Mr. Bacon, "and permit no information to be given without his consent, then an attorney is established in fact, if not in name."

HOUSE.

The House today passed the joint resolution introduced by Mr. Dawson, providing for a Lincoln memorial postage stamp, to commemorate the centenary of the birthday of the martyred president. The pension appropriation bill was reported by the committee on appropriations. It provides for the expenditure of \$160,018,000 next year. This is \$2,000,000 less than this year's bill.

The number of pensioners now on the rolls is 951,687, a reduction of 16,000 from last year.

A resolution was offered by Mr. Clark calling on the treasury general to report to the House the number of special agents employed by the Department of Justice, their duties, salaries and by authority of what law they were appointed.

The House resumed consideration of the District of Columbia appropriation bill.

Today's Telegraphic News

Will Not Interfere.

[Special dispatch to the Alexandria Gazette.] Richmond, Va., Jan. 13.—Governor Swann today announced that he would not interfere in the case of Benjamin Gibler, the Norfolk youth, who will be electrocuted next Tuesday for the murder of his sweetheart. The governor says the condemned boy is not insane.

Earthquakes.

Rome, Jan. 13.—All of Tuesday and many cities in the northern part of Italy were shaken by a quake this morning. The severest shock yet reported was a Gena, where the people fled from their houses in terror and would not return for hours. No serious damage is reported.

Other cities that felt the shock are Milan, in Lombardy; Venice and Padua in Venetia; Florence in Tuscany; and Bologna in Emilia. The quake is believed to have had a wider radius than the quake which devastated Sicily and Calabria. Unusually is felt for the remote cities from which no word has yet been received.

The latest report from this morning's quake shows that the damage was limited to the collapse of a few houses and a general cracking of walls. Several cathedrals suffered serious damage.

The President at Warrenton

Warrenton, Va., Jan. 13.—President Roosevelt on horseback, accompanied by three other riders, arrived shortly before noon today. Although there was little warning of his visit, a large crowd of townsfolk greeted him, and listened to a speech at the Western Green Hotel, where the president and his party took luncheon. The riders left the White House at 4 a. m., and intended before the close of the day to cover ninety miles, returning to Washington this evening. They had several rears of horses. The president's party consisted of Surgeon General Ralho, Dr. Carey Grayson, and Capt. Archibald Butt. It was thought that the president would spend the day in Alexandria county with Dr. Rixey.

Bishop Carroll

Baltimore, Jan. 13.—It is reported that the name of Bishop John P. Carroll, O. H. L. priest of Helena, Mont., who was recently appointed rector of the Catholic University at Washington, has been forwarded to Rome in a list by Cardinal Gibbons for consideration by the pope. Bishop Carroll, from the names sent by the cardinal, will mean that he will be eventually archbishop, with the right of succession to Cardinal Gibbons. He is a particular friend of the cardinal, who is said to be anxious that he come here.

The Imprisoned Miners.

Schickel, W. Va., Jan. 13.—Fighting a most against horse tired workers today are making a desperate effort to reach the 200 miners believed to be imprisoned in Lick Branch mine. Since the explosion yesterday, but 11 bodies have been taken from the shaft. Hope of saving any of the victims has been practically abandoned.

Steamer Wrecked.

San Francisco, Jan. 13.—The steamer S. S. Manton, 647 tons, from Grays Harbor, Washington, for San Pedro, California, is reported wrecked off the California coast sixty miles north of Santa Barbara. Two men are known to have been drowned.

New York Stock Market

New York, January 13.—Price movements all through the first hour were of the same confusing character that has been the prevailing feature for several days. Union Pacific dropped 14; while Southern Pacific held firm around 117. Unalutated Copper and Consolidated Gas lost over a point.

Suicide of a Woman.

Chicago, Jan. 13.—While more than a score of persons looked on, Mrs. Clara Stearns, 32 years old, committed suicide early today, by jumping from the third story of the Marquette Hotel. She died on her way to the hospital. Hysteria from the compulsory surrender of her child to a public institution because she was unable to care for it drove the woman to her death.

City Council.

The session of the City Council last night was of about an hour and a half's duration.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

All the Aldermen were present and the business transacted was with but one exception by unanimous vote.

Mr. Sweeney, from the finance committee, submitted a report recommending that council pay Dr. E. A. Gorman \$345 for services in connection with smallpox cases in this city. The doctor's bill was \$690. The report was adopted without debate.

A communication from the fire warden requesting council to pass an ordinance governing the wardens as to allowing the fire department to respond to alarms outside of the city, was received from the Common Council, that board having referred the paper to the committee on general laws.

Mr. Marbury said the object of the warden was to outrank the chief engineer of the Fire Department, and to decide whether or not the apparatus should go beyond the city limits in case of fires on the confines of Alexandria.

The cited instances where there had been friction between the officials when fires occurred on the borders of the city, and thought it was bad advertisement for the city to take them and that it was unconcerned when fires occurred next door to us.

Mr. Marbury's views were concurred in by Mr. Billinger as well as the other members, all of whom thought there should be some law governing the matter.

Mr. Summers read the present law concerning the removal of fire apparatus from the city.

There was some disposition on the part of the board to lay the paper on the table, but the action of the Common Council was finally concurred in, after which Mr. Sweeney offered the following, which was adopted by a unanimous vote:

Resolved, that the chief or the Fire Department or the fire wardens shall have the power to order the fire department to go beyond the city limits whenever in the judgment of the chief of the Fire Department the services of the fire department becomes necessary beyond the city limits.

A report of the committee on light and finance allowing the Alexandria Light Infantry to use free \$100 worth of gas annually came in from the Common Council.

Mr. Billinger asked if one hundred dollars worth of gas would be sufficient for the company.

Mr. Brill said it would, as the committee had made a careful estimate, and ascertained that seventy-five dollars' worth would be sufficient, but one hundred dollars' worth had been given in order to be liberal toward the organization.

Several questions were propounded by members, as Captain Slaymaker had presented a second communication asking for free gas on other than drill nights of the company.

Mr. Sweeney replied by saying that the committee had no idea of furnishing free gas for the skating rink.

Mr. Marbury moved that the Aldermen concur in the action of the Common Council.

Mr. Summers thought the paper should be recommitted.

The report was finally adopted.

A report of the light committee adverse to the petition for placing a lamp at Duke and Patrick streets was received from the Common Council.

Mr. Summers was opposed to concurring in the action of the lower board. He said it was a dark intersection and had recently been the scene of crime.

Mr. Brill said the committee had made an adverse report for the reason that they did not desire to set a precedent. In a little while petitions would be sent to Council for gas lamps at every intersection where electric lights have been placed.

Mr. Marbury said there were electric lights at Duke and Alfred, Duke and Henry and Prince and Patrick streets.

Mr. Summers said he would rather see the gas lamp at the northeast corner of Duke and Alfred streets lighted and the electric light abolished. The latter was uncertain, while the gas lamp could be kept burning.

The action of the Common Council was finally concurred in, after 7. Mr. Summers voting in the negative.

When a preamble and resolution concerning the city's contract with the Alexandria Electric Company was received from the Common Council, that board having referred the paper to the committee on light, an interchange of opinion in regard to the service being rendered the city by the company followed.

Mr. Hill said he had been assured that the company will have everything now causing complaint rectified within two weeks.

Mr. Marbury said the company had ordered Westinghouse lamps for use in this city.

The action of the Common Council was concurred in.

No discussion took place on the other papers presented.

COMMON COUNCIL.

The first business meeting of the City Council since the Christmas holidays was held last night with fifteen of the sixteen members being present. A small volume of business was disposed of, although the session was a protracted one owing to arraignment of the Alexandria Electric Company by Councilman Spinks. A statement of Health Officer Gorman concerning his recent action relative to contagious diseases, and his action therein, also took up some time in the lower board.

When Council convened shortly before 8 o'clock Mr. Evans, on a question of personal privilege, desired to know what had been done with the \$25 approved June 11, 1907, for chasing Penny Hill Cemetery. Receiving no reply he said he would let the matter rest for the present.

Mr. Birrell asked why a lamp was needed more at this point than at others. A D. Mr. Evans replied that several assaults had recently been committed in that neighborhood.

Mr. Harrison said he was willing to place gas lamps on every corner where there was no electric lamp but thought it best to make no exceptions.

A resolution presented by Mr. Spinks setting forth that the contract of the city with the Alexandria Electric Light Company can be declared void if the company fail to comply with the provisions of its agreement and asking that a committee of 3 from the lower and 2 from the upper board, be appointed to investigate the matter and report within ninety days, and that the mayor be instructed to serve notice on the company, was read by the clerk.

Mr. Spinks said the company had not lived up to its contract with the city. He desired that it be one of the few who opposed the sale of the franchise. "I think," he said, "we know that from the beginning this company has been trying to deal dishonestly with the city. I have heard many complaints and believe every portion of the contract has been violated." Continuing he said: "Mathews bought this plant and every intelligent man knows who Mathews is. I believe these people came here for the purpose of robbing and stealing, and I am satisfied the plant cost about \$50,000 and they flamed \$150,000 of stock." Mr. Spinks then asserted that Mr. Roderick had told him he had been employed by Mathews, and the latter was indicted for 'trying to steal the state capital of Pennsylvania.'

He told of his visit to the late manager, Roderick, now confined in prison for defalcation, who had told him that he had been employed by this man Mathews. He then narrated how Roderick after confessing his defalcation had been allowed to leave the city before a warrant had been sworn out against him.

Mr. Leadbeater moved that the resolution be referred to the light and general laws committee and said "if we pass this resolution now we may have to retract our steps." There was an interchange of opinion, the majority agreeing that the proper place was in the hands of a committee.

Mr. Uhler said that many remarks had been made about the light, many of which were not true. The lights, he said, were turned on February 14, 1907. Thirty days afterwards irregularities were detected. Finally twenty percent was deducted from the company's bills until the company came to terms. He added that an expert was employed by the city to ascertain if the company was fulfilling the contract.

Mr. Spinks asked Mr. Uhler if this expert had been told by the company that if he made it all right for the company he would be compensated and Mr. Uhler replied that such information had come to him.

Mr. Uhler explained that the city now has a company \$535 which it refused to pay. He didn't think that they came here to rob. He said the City Council has gotten the worst of it money. Mr. Uhler then read a few figures he had prepared in which he said that we now have 86 lamps against 85 under the old system. Mr. Uhler declared the city is saving money if the lights were not as they should be and the light committee is doing all in its power to protect the city.

He said the company had been misled by both its managers here and that in the first place he had told Mr. Mandeville when he secured the franchise that he was paying too much money to make anything out of it.

Mr. Spinks denied that the transaction made the city better off, declaring there was a decrease in the consumption of gas of two million feet last year.

On motion of Mr. Leadbeater the resolution was referred to the light and general laws committee, a recorded vote being 8 for and 6 against referring.

Mr. Birrell then said the electric company should make the minimum price of electricity to all. He deemed other plans unjust.

A resolution transferring \$10,000 to the school fund for payments on the new school building, this sum to be paid back when the Peabody building is sold, was referred to the finance committee.

A communication from the fire warden asking that an ordinance be passed relative to engines going beyond the corporate limits was referred to the general laws committee.

Mr. Evans said that in ten months there has been three fires in Fairfax county, and several of the people owning the destroyed property were city taxpayers. He thought such action should be taken. The Alexandria firemen had responded to the alarms and had done good service.

Mr. Burke said he didn't think that the Alexandria firemen would stand still and see their neighbors' property burn.

A communication from the warden asking that \$600 be appropriated for the purchase of horses was referred to the finance committee.

A petition for an electric light at Prince and Henry streets was referred to the light committee.

Mr. Bramant presented an ordinance which he asked to be referred, providing for the placing of signs bearing the names of the streets in conspicuous places at the several street corners. He said this was much needed.

A petition for a light at Alfred and Montgomery streets was referred to the same committee.

A bill for \$4 contracted for attention to a horse at the Alms House was ordered paid.

A communication from the Alexandria Free Kindergarten asking for \$300 to assist them in their work, was referred to the finance and school committees.

The finance and general laws committee in a report adopted by the Aldermen recommended that the health officer be paid \$345 for services in full on a bill of \$690. Their report was adopted.

Mr. Burke announced that Health Officer Gorman would like to make a statement.

Dr. Gorman was then given the floor. He explained that his mission was not in regard to his bill, but was relative to the resolution passed some time ago, in which Council decided not to pay any bills for contagious diseases after July 14 last. He said it placed him in a bad position, as he has contracted further bills because the ordinances on this subject had never been repealed. Dr. Gorman said another case of contagious disease had broken out yesterday evening in a colored family. He desired to know what Council wished done in the matter.

Dr. Gorman explained that he had made 388 visits and was to receive \$345 compensation. If it is not the intention

to pay a dollar a visit Dr. Gorman said he didn't think he could attend to this case. He expressed a willingness to step aside and let someone else attend to it. In conclusion Dr. Gorman said he would like to receive instructions how to proceed.

Mr. Brumback wanted to know if he was not paid to attend such cases. The chair said he was, adding, however, that it is hardly perceived that the salary would compensate him in case of an epidemic.

Mr. Evans asked Dr. Gorman if he wanted a dollar a visit and the latter replied it is customary to receive \$2 a visit in such cases.

Mr. Monroe stated that the committee which had acted upon Dr. Gorman's bill used their best judgment and was satisfactory to all concerned. He thought that Dr. Gorman as a public spirited man should go on with his work until other arrangements, if desired, could be made.

Mr. Harrison wanted the matter referred to a committee and that Dr. Gorman should continue in the discharge of his duties until proper ordinances on the subject could be enacted. The matter was referred to the general laws and finance committee on motion of Mr. Harrison, and Dr. Gorman was requested to proceed until the committee makes its report.

An ordinance authorizing the mayor to sign the answer of the city council to the rule issued by Judge Bailey to show cause why council should not remodel or rebuild the city jail was adopted. Council will set forth in the answer that the financial condition of the city will not justify compliance with the order at this time.

A petition for a gas lamp at Payne and Prince streets was referred to the light committee.

Councilman Evans spoke on the condition of several sidewalks and Mr. Leadbeater promised to look into the matter.

A resolution adopted by the Aldermen giving the chief engineer of the Fire Department permission to send the apparatus outside of the city limits was laid on the table until the next meeting and Council adjourned.

Official.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

At a regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the city of Alexandria, Va., held January 12, 1909, there were present: J. B. N. Curtin, ex-President, and Messrs. Hill, Brill, Marbury, Billinger, Field, Sweeney and Summers.

Mr. Summers submitted a petition of Charles Humphries and others requesting the repair of the gas lamp at the intersection of Prince and Payne streets and permission to light the same, which was referred to the committee on light.

Mr. Field, from the joint committee on general laws and finance, submitted the following report on a bill of Dr. E. A. Gorman, Health Officer, which was adopted: Your Joint Committee to whom was referred the bill of Dr. E. A. Gorman, Health Officer, recommended that the sum of Three Hundred and Forty-five Dollars (\$345) be and is hereby appropriated as payment in full to said Dr. E. A. Gorman for his services as health officer, for attending contagious diseases.

An ordinance authorizing the Mayor to sign the answer of the City Council of Alexandria in the case of the Commonwealth against the City Council of Alexandria, was submitted by Mr. Sweeney, read three times and adopted by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Sweeney introduced the following resolution, which was adopted by a unanimous vote: That the Chief of the Fire Department, or the Fire Wardens, shall have the power to order the Fire Department to go beyond the city limits in case of fires on the confines of Alexandria, and that the Chief of the Fire Department, or the Fire Wardens, be authorized to make any necessary expenditure beyond the city limits.

The following was received from the Common Council and the action concurred in: Report of the Committee on Light and Finance on a petition for the erection of a gas lamp at Duke and Patrick streets, which was referred to the Committee on Light.

Report on the Committee on Light and Finance on a petition of the Alexandria Light Infantry asking Council to furnish gas free at their armory.

Communication from the Board of Fire Wardens asking Council to pass an ordinance governing the wardens as to allowing the fire department to respond to alarms out side of the city.

A preamble and resolution appropriating \$10,000 for the use of the City School Board in building the new school building, this sum to be paid back when the Peabody building is sold, was referred to the finance committee.

Communication from the Board of Fire Wardens asking an appropriation of \$600 for the purchase of horses for the use of the department.

A preamble and resolution looking to the lighting of the street of the city.